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Top PNP post a toss-up between Calderon, Razon

By Luige A. del Puerto

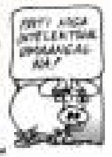
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Now, it's Gloria vs thinking class

By Philip C. Tubeza, Christian V. Esguerra and Armand N. Nocum

IT'S THE THINKING CLASS vs GMA.



GMA in charge: 'I'm fine'

San Beda law school drops 26 top profs

By Christian V. Esguerra



THE PATIENT seems impatient to get back to work. President Arroyo looking well and cheery in her suite at the St. Luke's Hospital has her laptop good and ready and meets her chief of staff Mike Defensor and Presidential Management Staff chief Arthur Yap.

President leaves hospital today

By Christine O. Avendaño

EVEN IN HER HOSPITAL bed, cradling a computer on her lap, she gave the impression of being at work and in command.

Infection blamed on killer work schedule

By Gil C. Cabacungan Jr. and Christine Avendaño

Bomb blasts Maguindanao governor convoy; 6 killed

By Joaffrey Maitem, Edwin Fernandez and Nash Maulana
PDI Mindanao Bureau

Step-sis tells how fun trip became a nightmare

By Volt Contreras and Tarra V. Quismundo



MOST AGONIZED TESTIMONY: Anna Liza Franco says she lost sight of "Nicole" and found her 2 hours later in their hotel room in "a state of shock."

Second FrontPage

'You can't kill an insurgency'

By Luige del Puerto

GOVERNMENT FORCES MAY SUCCEED IN killing every last rebel in the country but the insurgency will not go away that easily, a top police official said yesterday.



Satur leaves after airport flap

By Nikko Dizon

GMA's 5-man delegation includes solons' wives

By Gil Cabacungan Jr.



UN HABITAT FORUM

Noli showcases NorthRail project

By Cynthia D. Balana



DE CASTRO

Boy seized from classroom



Now, it's Gloria vs thinking class

Absence of heart

Embrace the truth

Not only artists

Add to country's woes

Nothing but good wishes from GMA foes

The sin, not the sinner

Probably overworked

Irresistible wish

Undelivered flowers

Step-sis tells how fun trip became a nightmare

Treated like sons

Not to set bad example

3rd dance with Smith

Letting go of hand

Searching

Old budget gives GMA blank check–Drilon

By Juliet Labog-Javellana

House posts P190-M savings

By Philip C. Tubeza

House computerization

GMA didn't have bite at Osteria 88

By Gil C. Cabacungan Jr.

35 party guests

No oysters

Food and privacy



FINALLY FORCED TO REST: President Arroyo looks like she can hardly wait to jump out of bed and get cracking on her presidential duties.

GMA in charge: 'I'm fine'; leaves hospital today

Light work



MEDICAL BULLETIN: Reassuring announcements from left, Health Secretary Francisco Duque, St. Luke's Medical Director Dr. Jose Cruz and gastroenterologist Dr. Juliet Gopez-Cervantes.



IN THIS CORNER: Manny Pacquiao takes a break from his training for the "Blood Match" to visit his favorite "hear" leader.

Full meal

Not food poisoning

Back to cheerful self

Cancelled activities

Pacman comes

Infection blamed on killer work schedule

Heavy workweek

Birthday bash, jobs fair

Love for food

Standing up to GMA

Calls at dawn



Marine colonel in Feb. standoff sent to Tawi-Tawi





Top PNP post a toss-up between Calderon, Razon



No jockeying

Related to GMA?

No retirement talk

Bomb blasts Maguindanao governor convoy; 6 killed



MILF denial

Targets of assassins

Suspects JI

San Beda law school drops 26 top profs seeking dean's ouster

Adversarial

'Compassion'

24 new profs

'Abrasive'

2 businessmen killed in Subic rampage

Trade in used vehicles

Central Luzon probers

SC ECHEGARAY 'ERROR'

Anti-crime crusaders want Panganiban's claim probed



PANGANIBAN

Customs chief says topping corruption list 'a good thing'

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(Sgd) RENATO R. SANTICO
Senior Vice President
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Manila Water

Upgrading of pipelines to cause temporary water interruption in portion of Makati City

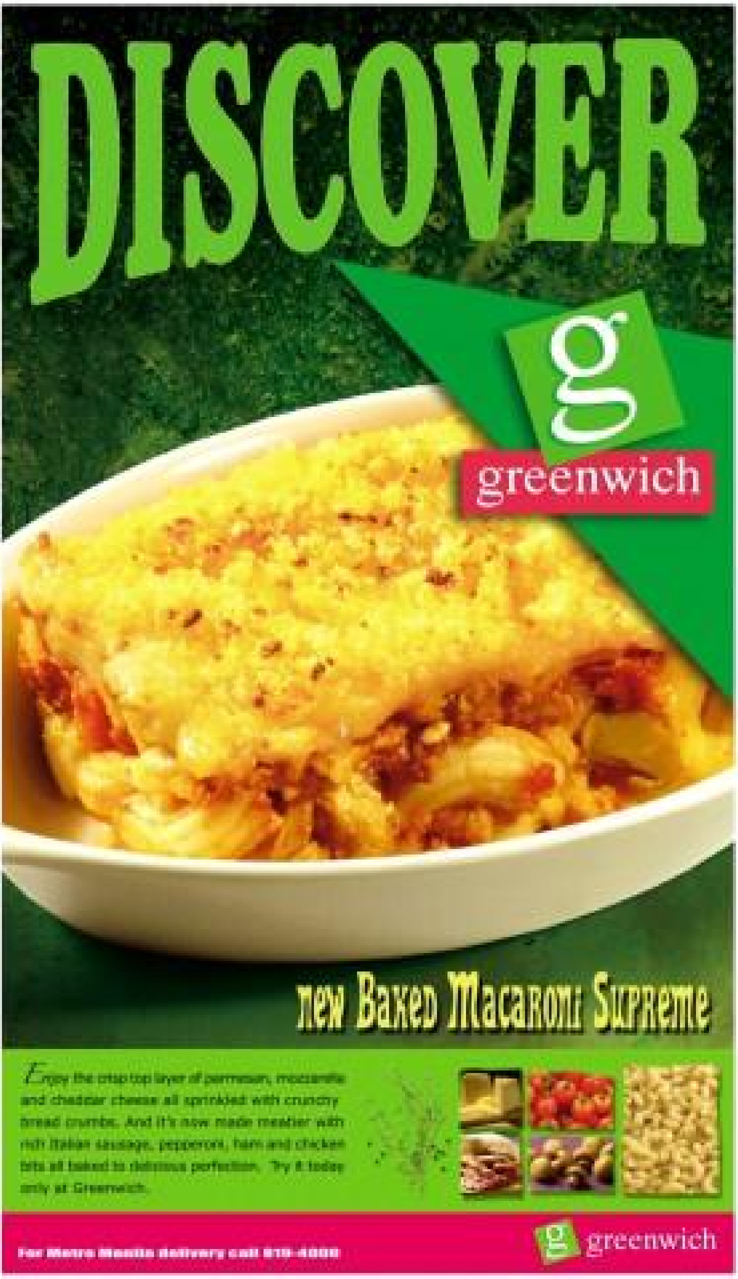
Manila Water is currently undertaking an aggressive capital expenditure program to improve the distribution of water in the East Zone. In line with this, the company will upgrade large pipelines along EDSA and Ayala which will result in a temporary cutoff of water supply. The interruption will begin 10:00 p.m., Saturday, June 24, 2006, up to 8:00 a.m., Sunday, June 25. The following barangays will be affected: Bel-Air, Salcedo, Legaspi, Brgy. Poblacion, Pio Del Pilar, San Lorenzo, Palm Village and Guadalupe Viejo.

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Cebu Doctors' University Hospital

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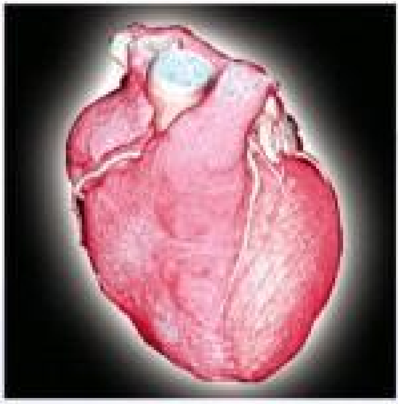
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PHILIPPINE DAILY INQUIRER
OPINION

Below average

EDITORIAL

THE REPORTED $200-MILLION WORLD BANK loan for education comes as a breath of fresh air after a series of bad news for a sector that has long been plagued by shortages, tight budgets, political meddling, etc. This is not to say that the $200-million loan will solve the crisis in our educational system. In fact, the shortcomings of the public school system are only half of the crisis. The other half lies in us: our lack of resolve or political will to address it. We must do more than just rely on outside assistance to solve the crisis and do what we have to do fast.

The statistics are there for all to see. As of the latest count, our public school system lacks more than 10,000 elementary and high school teachers, not to mention textbooks and others. Making things worse, only about 19 percent of 81,000 teachers scored 75 percent or better in English in a 2004 Self-Assessment Test conducted by the Department of Education, and a big number of Science and Math teachers did not major in those subjects.

These inadequacies may partly explain the disturbing academic performance of our students and the dubious literacy rate in a country touted as one of the most highly educated in the region and once Southeast Asia's favorite source of quality education. Around 9 million of the 57.6 million Filipinos aged 10-64 years are "functionally illiterate," meaning, "unable to read, write, subtract and add, or understand instructions—something normally learned by Grade 4." Even so, the "functional literacy rate" of 85 percent is "probably overstated." Among Grade 6 kids, only 26 percent have a mastery of English, 19 percent of Science, and 31 percent of Math; and among senior high school students, only 7 have mastered English, 2 percent, Science, and 16 percent, Math.

In the Trends in Math and Science Survey (TIMSS) taken in 2003, the Philippines scored the lowest among a group of Asian countries that included Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Malaysia and Singapore.

To the credit of the private sector, a growing number of corporations and individuals have been responding to the crisis in various ways—building classrooms, providing learning facilities, funding scholarships, etc. And more and more local government units are pitching in, according to the Foundation for Worldwide People Power, which itself has launched Education Revolution 2005, a movement that seeks to mobilize entire communities in promoting quality education.

But the national government has yet to match these initiatives. In fact, it treats the crisis with some show of concern only around school year openings, and largely forgets it the rest of the year. The national government budget for education is very revealing. For example, in 2005, out of the total budget of P907.56 billion, the DepEd got only P112 billion. In the bigger P1.053-trillion budget proposed for 2006, the DepEd's budget is reduced to P109 billion. If we look deeper, 85 percent of the education department's annual budget goes to pay the salaries of teachers. That leaves a mere 15 percent for capital outlay, maintenance and operations (and needless to say, the actual amount spent for such items is even smaller because of corruption).

It may be argued that, among the departments, the DepEd has still the biggest appropriation. But it only amounts to 12 percent of the national budget compared to the ideal 20 percent.

It may be foolish to see some relief coming from our lawmakers. For example, how much of their pork barrel would they rather spend for non-priority projects, like waiting sheds and basketball courts, than for education?

It was only after the nation's attention was focused on the classroom shortage (which was denied by President Macapagal-Arroyo) that the bicameral conference committee, upon the instance of the Senate, sought to increase the DepEd's budget. But then the 2006 budget is unlikely to be passed by Congress, and the 2005 budget is poised for reenactment.

Significantly, the President has promised an additional P1 billion for her all-out war against communists to be taken from the "non-recurring projects" included in the 2005 budget. She has also committed another P1 billion for the government's anti-corruption campaign. Nothing for education. That surely says a lot about her priorities. And yet, the Constitution says the government should give the "highest budgetary priority to education."



'The most formidable weapon'

SEPARATE OPINION



Isagani A. Cruz

IF YOU BELIEVE GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO is guilty of the offenses imputed to her by her critics, you must join the movement to impeach and remove her as President of the Philippines.

This is not only your right but a duty imposed upon you as "an individual particle of sovereignty." It is your will, with those of other Filipinos similarly minded, that will reclaim and protect the future of our country.

You cannot just stand still, given your considered conclusion. You are not only an observer of the passing scene but an active protagonist in the drama unfolding before us. You are as much an accuser and complainant as those who will actually prosecute her.

Impeachment has been described as "the most formidable weapon in the arsenal of democracy." But it is also derided as a "rusted blunderbuss" that is hardly fired because of its procedural limitations.

In the United States where our impeachment rules have been patterned, no President has been removed through this difficult method. Richard Nixon might have been its first casualty but evaded this dishonor by resigning. Andrew Johnson survived by a margin of only one vote and Bill Clinton by a bigger lead that even included Republican support.

The President of the Philippines, as well as other high officials of our government, may be impeached for culpable violation of the Constitution, treason, bribery, graft and corruption, other high crimes, or betrayal of public trust.

A complaint for impeachment may be filed by any member of the House of Representatives or by any citizen upon a resolution of endorsement by any House member. It may be elevated to the Senate by a vote of one-third of all the members of the House of Representatives.

Trial will be conducted by the Senate to be presided by the Chief Justice when the President of the Philippines is the respondent. Conviction shall require the vote of two-thirds of all the members of the Senate.

The judgment shall not extend beyond removal from office and disqualification to hold any other position in the government, but the accused shall still be subject to prosecution under our criminal laws.

Despite the strong evidence against President Joseph Estrada during his impeachment trial, it is doubtful if he could have been convicted with no less than 12 senators determined to acquit him. The 11 other senators were 5 short of the 16 votes needed to convict.

Last year, the complaint for impeachment against President Arroyo did not even reach first base. Her accusers could not enlist the one-third vote needed to refer the matter to the Senate.

This time, the complainants against Ms Arroyo are guarding against the pre-emption of their bona fide charges by a fake complaint to be filed by her allies that is sure to be dismissed for lack of merit. Such a scheme will prevent the filing of another complaint against her during a period of one year, as prohibited by the Constitution.

Reportedly, there will be a vigilance task force to prevent the hatching of the insidious scheme. How? By violently preventing the filing of such a sham complaint? This would be a strong-arm tactic that would impair the peaceful (and intelligent) image of the enemies of the questioned Malacañang tenant.

I have the highest respect for the civic-minded persons who will file the complaint for impeachment against President Arroyo. They deserve the esteem and encouragement of all Filipinos who value freedom and detest oppression. I am personally determined to give them my full support in the exercise of my own resources, including my devotion to the Rule of Law.

My special admiration for Josefina T. Lichauco, a worthy colleague in the law, for inspiring and leading the defiant defenders in their threatened but undaunted ramparts.

All of us who share their passion for liberty are co-complainants with them in the condemnation of the abuses of the present administration under Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo. Let us rally against the new dictatorship with our sovereign will as our most formidable weapon under the flag of the tattered Constitution.

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Bad laws lead to poor revenue take

GET REAL



Solita Collas-Monsod

REVENUE COMMISSIONER JOSE MARIO BUÑAG asked me to lunch after this column put him under a microscope a couple of weeks ago (where he unfortunately didn't come out looking too good). The request was done in the usual Asian manner—roundabout—that is to say, Buñag is friend to my husband Christian, back to friend back to Buñag and finally to me (all through text), until a mutually convenient time and place could be arranged.

I appreciate the commissioner's efforts to explain his side, although it could have been done in a more efficient, albeit less pleasant, manner had he written his rejoinder and sent it to this newspaper. At least, it wouldn't have cost me so much (I paid for my own lunch—my call—and it cost me [illegible]). The bright side is that Buñag is a very congenial person, and he thoughtfully provided me with several annual reports of the BIR, and other information that I asked for.

He made the following points, which in the interest of transparency and fair play, I faithfully report without comment: (1) The 2004 BIR targets were a "done deal" before Buñag, who was a deputy to Willy Parayno, took over; (2) Parayno's BIR met the 2003 targets, but did not meet the 2004 targets; (3) the targets for 2005 may have been set too high, and P20 billion of that was wrongfully assigned to the BIR rather than to the Bureau of Customs; (4) The 2-percentage point increase in the VAT starting this year isn't going to increase tax revenues to any appreciable extent; (5) Nevertheless, Buñag has changed his tune, and thinks that the targets can now be met; and (6) The head of the Large Taxpayers Service (LTS), who was removed and [illegible] during Buñag's watch, did not get reappointed to that unit—she was instead promoted to deputy commissioner by President Macapagal-Arroyo. In connection with the last point, I apologize to the current head of the LTS, Merlinda L. [illegible], for any grief my giving out wrong information may have caused her.

That having been disposed of, the fact remains that the Philippines, even if the BIR were to successfully achieve its target, will still have one of the lowest tax effort ratios (tax revenues to GDP) in the region, if not the world. Generally at this stage of the conversation, fingers are pointed accusingly at the tax collection agencies and their heads (that's how Buñag got written about two weeks ago). But it is time we reminded ourselves of factors that are beyond the control of the revenue collection agencies, and for these, a great deal of the blame can be laid on Congress.

But we only legislate, our lawmakers claim, it is the executive department that implements. That is true. Still the quality of that legislation, particularly in tax matters, can and has been pretty bad.

Not to beg, but I must again cite as an example the failure of our lawmakers to remove one simple provision in the original sin tax bill, a provision that was inserted only during the bicameral committee negotiations. This provision maintains the use of 1996 prices as the basis for calculating the taxes on cigarettes, until changed by Congress. Well, Congress still refused to change it after seven years. The "new" sin tax law still contains it. According to estimates made by the Department of Finance, using 1996 instead of current prices to compute sin taxes costs Filipinos about P20 billion a year in foregone revenues. The main beneficiaries of the provision are the cigarette companies owned by Lucio Tan.

But huge as that loss is, it pales in comparison with the foregone revenues as a result of the fiscal incentives program (the objective of which is supposedly to encourage investments, both foreign and domestic), also passed by Congress. Why is it a lousy program? Because a just completed study undertaken by Renato Reside of the UP School of Economics, entitled (dramatically but aptly) "Business and Government Without a Conscience? "The ample redundancy of fiscal incentives for investment in the Philippines" finds that a huge amount of incentives are redundant: they are given to many firms that would have invested anyway.

Reside estimates that 95 percent of the value of investments registered by the Board of Investments were given incentives that were redundant, and the cost to Filipinos of those incentives (income tax holidays, tax and duty exemptions) amounted to about P43.2 billion in 2004. This does not include the cost of redundancies in other "investment promoting agencies" such as the Philippine Economic Zone Authority, Subic Bay Metropolitan Authority and Clark Special Economic Zone.

To make matters worse, Reside, using econometric tools, finds that the incentives are "impotent"—they do not have the predictive power for [illegible] investment (which is consistent with the results of cross-country studies). Rather, what influence the investors are real per capita GDP (i.e., a strong regional market), functional literacy (access to educated labor inputs promotes investment), and infrastructure (high road density promotes investment).

The biggest tragedy of course, is that in giving the incentives to those who don't need them, much needed resources are lost that could have been used to improve the very education and infrastructure, which are the true promoters of investment.

There is a lesson here: Before Congress points to the mote in other people's eyes, it should deal with the mote in its own eye first.

Save the Constitution but lose the nation?

POLITICAL TIDBITS



Wining and dining

AT LARGE



Is 'Eurabia' inevitable?

WORLD VIEW

'Noli me tangere'

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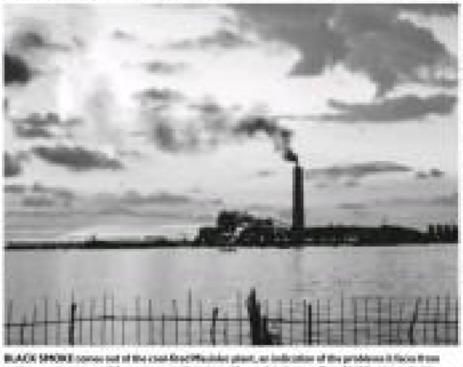
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Poro Pt. casino opens; Church aghast

By Peter La. Julian

SAN FERNANDO CITY—A CASINO OPENED AT the Poro Point discreetly, ignoring opposition from Church leaders in La Union.

Controversy-ridden coal power plant splits townsfolk



BLACK SMOKE comes out of the coal-fired Masinloc plant, an indication of the problems it faces from environment groups and the controversy that currently envelops it over alleged bidding irregularities.

Residents split

IN THE KNOW

Masinloc Timeline

2001

2004

2005

2006

Then came Rasbill

Ties

Wrong things

ROUNDUP

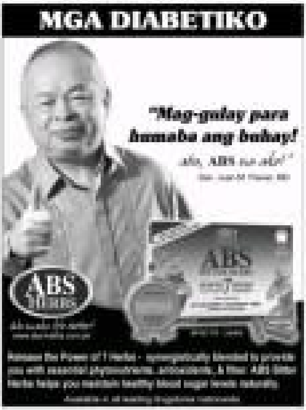
Quake drill commended

Student slain over cell phone

NBI to sue Bacolod bar

4 more medicine scholars





INQUIRER Visayas

Wonders never cease from Samar nature

THERE SEEMS TO BE no shortage of natural wonders on Samar Island that new ecotourism sites would rise almost every year to accommodate nature lovers and adventure seekers who want to relish nature's world.





Drama in reality TV makes presence felt in institute

IF "PINOY BIG BROTHER (PBB)," a reality TV show, had its teen edition, so did the annual creative writing workshop at the University of San Agustin's Fray Luis de Leon Creative Writing Institute in Iloilo City.

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Customs seizes P19-M cargo in Metro, N. Luzon

Participation of insiders eyed

Munti pays tribute to RP's 1st drug-free community

Manila's 'redeveloped' parks now open to public

By Tina G. Santos



Slain lawyer's husband killers' target

By DJ Yap

METROBRIEFS

3 stores selling tiles raided

Brillante vs Binay

Why blame businesses for giving to the NPA?

ON TARGET

Ramon Tulfo



Manila's 435th year marked today

By Tina G. Santos and Margaux C. Ortiz



UP students protest Marines presence inside QC campus

By Alcuin Papa

FBI arrests 7 linked to attack on Sears Tower



CHICAGO'S Sears Tower, the world's third tallest building.

6 terrorists, cop killed in Saudi shootout



COOL SHOWER

25 executed gangland style in Iraq

Poll: Westerners, Muslims consider each other repulsive

Thaksin party faces vote fraud charges



THAKSIN

The WORLD

US: N. Korea will pay a cost for launch

But Washington rules out shooting Pyongyang test missile out of the sky

WASHINGTON—THE US SUGGESTED IT HAS limited ability to shoot a North Korean missile out of the sky and spurned suggestions of a preemptive strike on the ground. Still, it warned the Koreans would pay a cost for a missile launch.



SMOKY VALLEY

Cell phone users may draw lightning

Brazil's Varig airline fights for survival



FAN DANCER

Japan court rejects suit on war shrine

Somalia rivals sign peace accord

US gets access to bank records



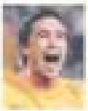
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WHAT'S INSIDE

- **Suico fighting for world title; Amonsot sees action on July 2** /A24

SPORTS



- **Italians oust No. 2 Czechs; Australia also advances** /A26

Yaps shine as Giants trim Aces' series lead

ROGER YAP WAS THE MISSING LINK PUREfoods has been looking for in the series.







NCAA kicks off today: Baculi bolts Dolphins



PFF told: Explain how ₱88M was spent

Suico fighting for world title

Amonsot sees action on July 2



SOLE REPLACEMENT: WBO Asia Pacific super featherweight champion Cruz Amonsot works out in Cebu City.

Xavier, Ateneo dispute Adidas futsal lead

Figueroa takes recurve crown; Tabañag scores

Spring, Tagaytay cagers advance



AND THEY'RE OFF!

NBC Selection to defend title in Thai Prince Cup

Tougher San Mig Light Enduro race slated

Asi, RenRen, Alapag can't go to Jones Cup

IN HUDDLE



Beth Celis

Adamson tests mettle of Lyceum



THEY maybe out of the running, but the Lyceum Lady Pirates' (center) fighting spirit remains as strong as ever.

Knicks fire Brown as coach, hire Thomas as replacement

Roberto, T'pinco bow out

SPORTSWATCH

Boscorian Golf Cup

Makati derby stakes P3M

Fastest Win event at SJC

Nicklaus Int'l Invt'l golf slated at Sta. Elena

SPORTS

Italians oust No. 2 Czechs

Ronaldo ties goal record; Australia also advances



BERLIN—THE WORLD CUP got its first high-profile casualty Thursday and its first surprise successes.





SATURDAY

NOW SHOWING

More paunch than punch



By Rito P. Asilo

"Pacquiao"

"Kapag Tumibok ang Puso"

Promising starlets gear up for stage musical


DIAZ. Talent and dedication.

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Key role

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Workshops

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Kundirana marks milestone


KUNDIRANA. Holds anniversary concert at CCP

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Fortunate

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Natural healing

LOTUS POND

R. Valencia and S. Bismark

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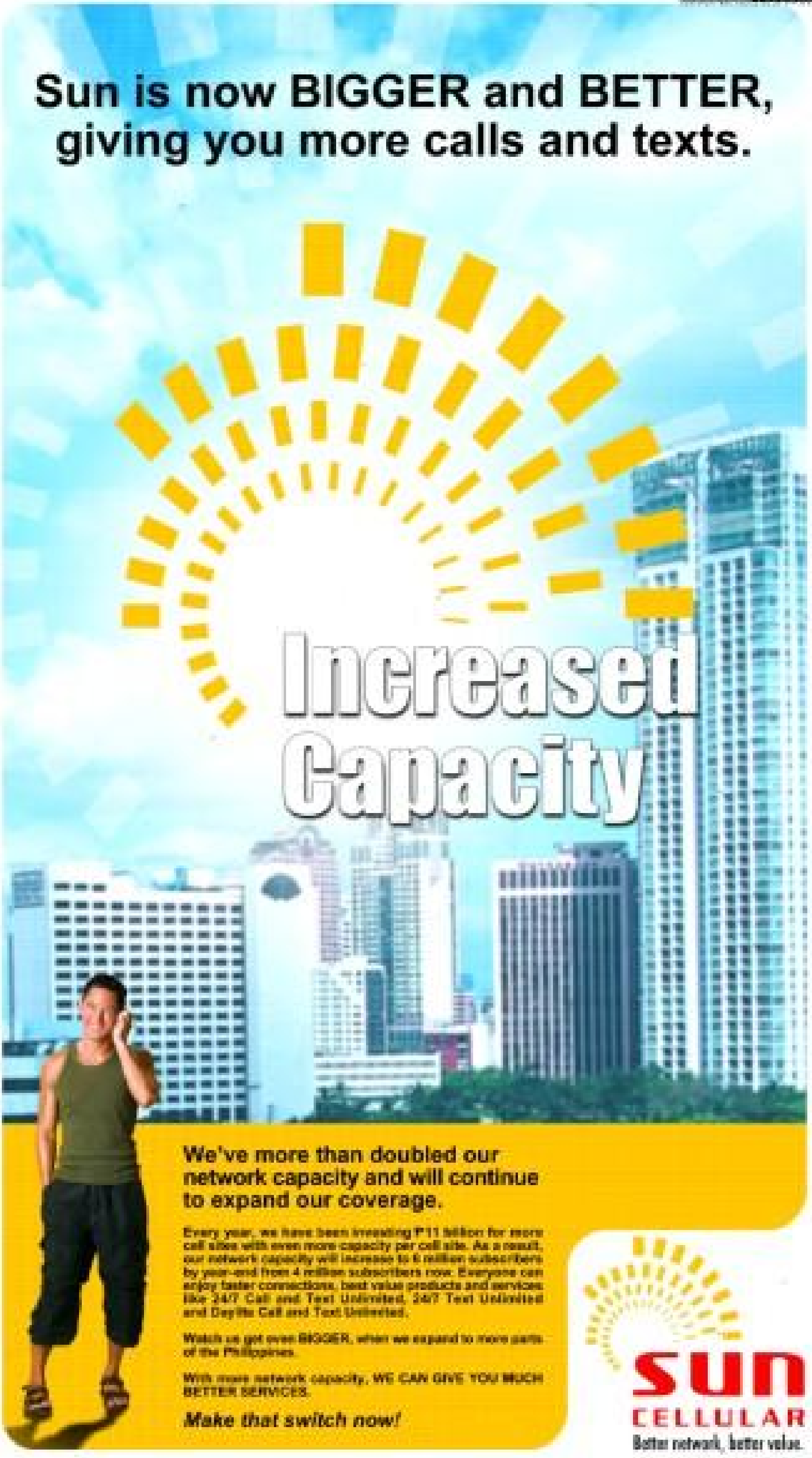
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AWIT AWARDS
Album of the Year · Best in Rock · Best Song of the Year · Best in Ballad
· Best Live Performance by a Group · People's Choice Award
And the music plays the Band, Indeed. Since their debut in 2004, Bamboo continues to rock the nation by storm. The band's intense passion and talent for music has long been causing a nationwide stir. Their powerful and patriotic lyrics run deep into the hearts and minds of Filipinos especially the youth. Such achievement deserves a high, if not the highest commendation.
In the recently held AWIT Awards co-hosted by MTV, Bamboo got their fair share of glory. SMART Buddy congratulates Bamboo for bagging six major awards – Album of the Year (Light, Peace, Love) , Best in Rock ("Hallelujah"), Best Song of the Year ("Hallelujah"), Best in Ballad ("Much Has Been Said"), Best Live Performance by a Group, and the People's Choice Award ("Hallelujah").
The best definitely recognizes their kind. SMART Buddy, the number one prepaid service in the country is very proud to have Bamboo as part of its winning family of endorsers.
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Eye-catching picture book about the Constitution

By Nestor U. Torre

PARENTS AND TEACHERS WHO worry about Filipino youths' lack of awareness about nationhood and patriotism will be glad to know that a children's picture book has been published that seeks to make the Philippine Constitution understandable and inspiring to the country's young people.

Launched last June 17, the values formation book, titled "As a Filipino," is written and illustrated by Mary Dumi Lee, who was inspired by Maria Gonzales-Goodrich, Unionbank CSR director. The book is sponsored by Unionbank, Adarna House and the Department of Education.

Curriculum

It will be integrated into the public schools' curriculum at the Grades 3 and 5 levels. Call 372-3940 or email: [illegible]

With eye-catching illustrations and verses, Lee encourages young readers to think about such otherwise "heavy" topics as Faith in God, Unity, Patriotism, Work Respect for Life, Respect for Law and Government, Truth, Justice, Freedom, Love, Equality, Peace, Promotion of the Common Good, Concern for Family and Future Generations, Concern for the Environment, and Order.

The English verses come with a Filipino translation, titled "Bilang Isang Pilipino," by Nina Lui Dayo-Lee and [illegible] Lee.

Despite the picture book's child-friendly look and tone, children reading it should be guided by their teachers or parents, to discuss and further clarify the topics and values it depicts.

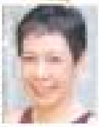
Since "As a Filipino" is for children, its characters are all young, the better for children to relate to them.

Classes

Mary Dumi Lee's love for children's books began at a very young age, when she enrolled in the summer art classes conducted by her mother, noted artist and educator [illegible] Dumi.

After graduating from the UP College of Fine Arts, Mary taught Art at the Maryknoll Child Study Center. Fusing her art with her experiences with children, she began writing and illustrating books for young readers.





LEE. Exceptional artistry and love for children.

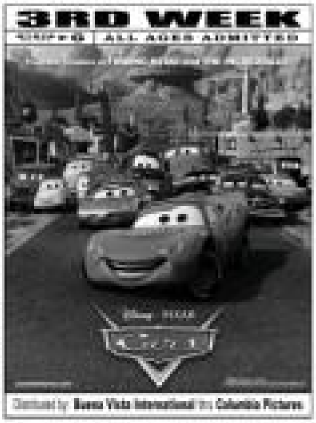
Her first book, "Bon, [illegible] des Philippines," was published in Paris, France, where she lived for four years. Returning to the Philippines, she taught at the UP College of Fine Arts and was the chairperson of its Department of Visual Communication.

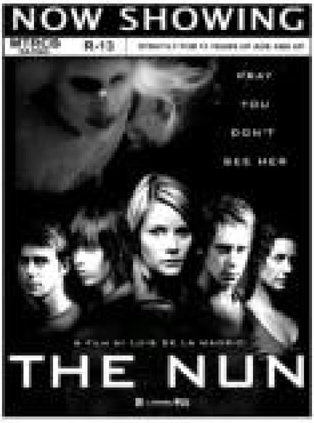
In 1996, she established the UP Mindanao Cultural Center in Davao City and taught Children's Literature there. Recently, she was appointed as head of UP Mindanao's Human Resources Development Office.

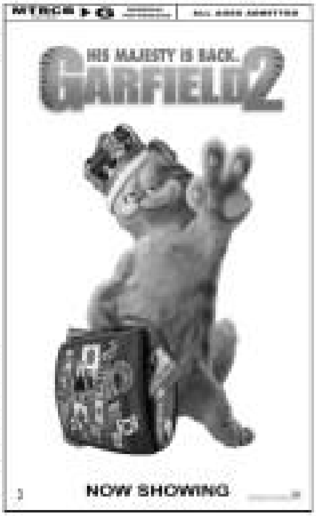
Mary's other children's books include "Lua and the Enchanted Creatures," "The Crocodile and the Colorful [illegible]," "[illegible] and the Seven-Headed Dragon," "The Girl Who Loved to Sing," and "Thrice as Nice."



"AS A FILIPINO." Child-friendly look and tone.



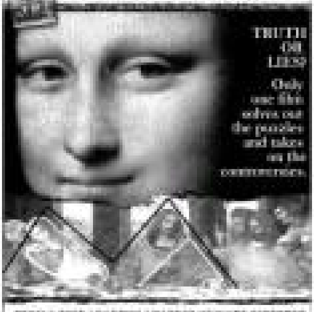


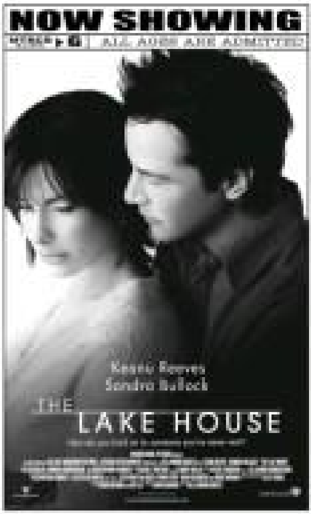




SILVER WEDDING VOWS

Two Filipino broadcast executives renewed their silver wedding vows in special rites at the Vatican, following a pilgrimage to Lourdes, France. [illegible] were feted by a group of 35, including [illegible] officials. [illegible] the solemn exchange of vows held at the basement crypt of St. Peter's Basilica.





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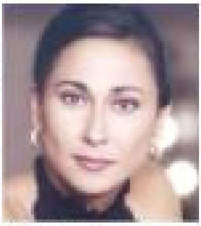
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Biggest fans

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Caricatures still hold sway in local movies





Predictable

Definition

Privilege



Tracing roots through public service

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Mandy Santamaria

Training



Indies, classics at Cinema One filmfest



AQUILA: [illegible]

Mixed results

Lineup

Exciting list

'Solomonic' solution to impasse over FPJ's award



FPJ: [illegible]

Family friend

Twist

Subservient role









GARFIELD

Tale of two felines

By Modesa Tova

"GARFIELD: A TALE of Two Kitties" has nothing to do with the Charles Dickens novel of (almost) the same title.

Fat cat

Estate

Superfluous

New name in terror

KANE, IS SEVEN FEET TALL, WEIGHS IN AT 300 lbs, is a World Wrestling Entertainment superstar also known as The Big Red Monster—and now, he's the star of the new shocker "See No Evil."

Kane plays (Jacob) Goodnight. With a rusty steel plate screwed into his skull, Jacob is a reclusive psychopath who hunts down eight juvenile delinquents and the cop who put a bullet into his head four years ago.

Directed by Gregory Dark, "See No Evil" benefits from Kane's wrestling expertise. During the action-packed shoot, he performed his own stunts and encouraged his co-stars, Luke Pegler and Michael J. Pagan, to do the same. "See No Evil" opens on July 5.

MONTAGE

Opera gala tonight

Two operas will be presented at the CCP on July 2. To celebrate Mozart's 250th birth anniversary, "Der Schauspieldirektor" (The Impresario) will be twinbilled with Leoncavallo's "Pagliacci."

Featured artists are tenors Jeremiah Cal-sang, Raymond Leslie Diaz and UP College of Music Dean Ramon Acoymo, sopranos Rica Nepomuceno, Mary Ann Lamano and Camille Lopez, baritones Greg de Leon and Lionel Galea, and the Philippine Philharmonic Orchestra, under Maestro Agripino Diestro. Tony Espejo directs.

Sponsors are the CCP, The Opera Guild Foundation of the Philippines, the UP College of Music, Manila Jockey Club, 8th Productions, BPI, and Diamond and Stonehenge. Call 832-3704.

Assertiveness and Confidence Workshop

The Proactive Center is holding a "Develop Your Professional Assertiveness and Confidence Workshop" from July 19 to 21 at Ortigas Center, Pasig City. Skills to be focused on include self-belief, communicating, business language, listening, questioning, dealing with difficult people, persuasion, and professional presence. Call 687-2389 or 78.

'North Country'

The emotionally stirring drama, "North Country," is now on DVD and video. It tells the inspiring story of a woman (Charlize Theron) who finds the courage to stand up for what she believes in—even if it means standing alone. Other stars are Sissy Spacek, Sean Bean, Frances McDormand and Woody Harrelson. The DVD also includes a documentary and additional scenes.

Bamboo in Tacloban City

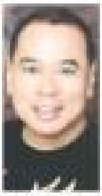
Wiqeme in Concert presents Bamboo at the Leyte Park Hotel, Tacloban City, tonight. Bamboo has just won a number of trophies at the recent Awit Awards. The next Wiqeme in Concert gig on July 1 features performances by Pupil, True Faith and Orly at the Leyte Sports Fest Grand Hall.

Shamrock's mall tour

The Shamrock "Are You Kidding" album mall tour hits SM Manila at 5 p.m., today, and SM Pampanga tomorrow. The repackaged album features the hits, "Kapit" and "Hadlang Ka," and new songs, "Nandito Lang Ako," "Para Sa Iyo," "Yosi," "Oh Lang" and "Maghihintay Ka."



KANE. Plays reclusive psychopath in "See No Evil."



ACOSTA. Performs at the opera gala.

Movies on TV

On HBO, June 24 at 10:55 p.m., "Constantine To Engrave, TX," 11:45 p.m., "Constantin 18: Old Cherry Blossom Road." June 25 at 4 p.m., "Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban." June 26 at 1 p.m., "Ray" 11:15 p.m., "Fahrenheit 9/11." June 27 at 5:30 p.m., "Losing Isaiah." June 28 at 5:50 a.m., "Pink Cadillac." June 29 at 10:45 p.m., "Back to the Future 2." June 30 at 4:45 p.m., "All the President's Men."

On Cinemax, June 24 at 9 p.m., "Something to Talk About." June 25 at 6:30 a.m., "American Gigolo." June 26 at 8 p.m., "Philadelphia." 2:45 a.m., "The Eddie Duchin Story." June 28 at 4:20 p.m., "From Here to Eternity." 9 p.m., "Sleepless in Seattle." June 29 at 12:05 p.m., "The World of Suzie Wong." 2:45 p.m., "Love Bird." June 30 at 6:35 p.m., "Glory."



GARY AND GABRIEL VALENCIANO. Like father, like son.

Following in their dads' footsteps

By Jocelyn Valle

COULD BE EVIL, WHO HAS TO CLONE himself to have what he wanted. Mini-Me, Gary Valenciano and Pen Medina already have carbon copies of themselves in their respective sons, Gabriel and Ping.

These fathers and sons have similar interests, tastes and quirks. "We have the same temperament," Gary offers. "We both like wideplant swinging, follow skateboarding and apple cider vinegar that we mix with everything."

"Angulo, looks, we point, same gestures, how we walk, talk and stand . . . In short, I'm my father's Mini-Me," exclaims Gab.

Taller

"He's not really my Mini-Me because he's taller," corrects Gary, who actually stands shorter than his six-footer, 19-year-old second child. "He looks so much like me that I had to grow a mustache to have my own identity."

Since he the self-deprecating Pen. "Twenty-three are his genes, as Ping, found out. Reporters always say Ping is, multiple sing talk. Any thing at dub to Ping, happy to do so my multiple sons."

Gab and Ping agree that they're like their fathers' shadows. "I take it as a compliment," Gab continues, citing the rapturous reactions of moviegoers whenever Gary would make his entrance. "It doesn't go to my head, but deep inside—yeeees!" (laughs)

Ping, 22, on the other hand, doesn't find it fun, though he gets a kick out of seeing his dad's kiddie photo taken in his grandparents' home in Pampanga. "With the same plain hairdo, I had when I was a kid, playing ako si ako sa lugar, 'pare,'" he exclaims.

Better dancer

For his part, Gary isn't bothered when people tell him that Gab is the better dancer. "He makes me feel more secure," he stresses. "We fellow can be so proud to be sharing the stage with his son!"

For Gab, it's simply awesome to be dancing with a father who's as famous as he rooms in the Internet. He singles out The Giraffe as his favorite.

FOLLOWING A4





Business

BPI forms banking subsidiary for OFWs



Offers 24/7 investment counseling, other money services

THE AYALAS' BANK OF THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS YESTERDAY launched a new banking subsidiary that seeks to carve a niche in the lucrative overseas Filipino workers (OFW) market.

Local sardines firm eyes Eastern Europe

WHAT'S INSIDE

Gov't hopeful on return of foreign investors

CURRENCIES



PESO-DOLLAR RATE

STOCK MARKET

Shares rise on bargain buying

RP ahead in Asean online gaming

Philippines outstrips tech-heavy neighbors in terms of revenue growth

By Dasher L. Lucas

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BIR checks out non-operating firms

By Michelle V. Remo

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After Keppel, GE now eyeing Bankard

By Doris C. Dumlao

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PSALM to hedge part of $7-B debt

By Abigail L. Ho

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Planters Bank announces merger with microlender

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US praises RP drive vs piracy

Fresh produce sales rising, expert says

Tours, Leisure & Chow



Where to Stop Where to GO

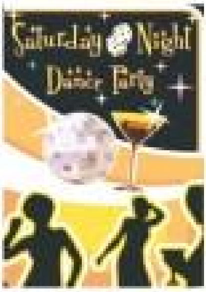
A weekly directory of the country's best establishments

Sushi o' more

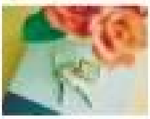


Astoria Plaza Hotel announcement

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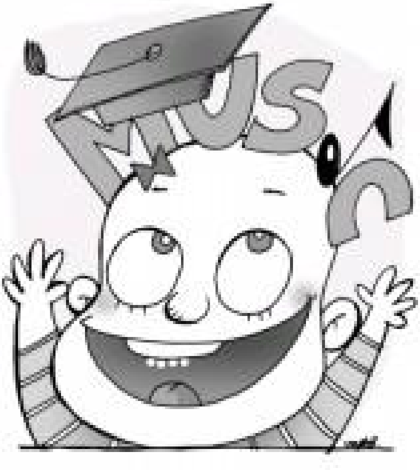
'Ampalaya...' book now available at Powerbooks

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SCIENCE/HEALTH

A child's brain development optimized through music



By Tessa R. Salazar

WHO COULD HAVE thought the musically inclined would also do well with a scalpel or a protractor? According to studies cited by US-trained educator Jeannie H. Castillo, 66 percent of music majors who apply to medical school are admitted. The best engineers and technical designers in Silicon Valley are nearly without exception practicing musicians.

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Stimulating brain dev't

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Primed for learning

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Brain activities

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Study results serve as guide for schizo treatment

By Charles E. Buban

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Guide

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Evaluating tradeoffs

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Cell phone use linked to brain tumors?

MEDICAL FILES

By Rafael R. Castillo, MD

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Conflicting results

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Increased risk

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Inadequate disclosure

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Now read, not just watch, Discovery Channel

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Editor Cesar D. Mangawang

Middle class housing amid business area



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In-city development

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Building system

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Post occupancy evaluation and green buildings

GREEN ARCHITRENDS



Main goal

Qualitative analysis

Purposes of POE

3 phases of POE

Benefits and uses of POE



Most important benefit

Bonifacio Global City soon to sport a new logo

4 new elements

Urban haven

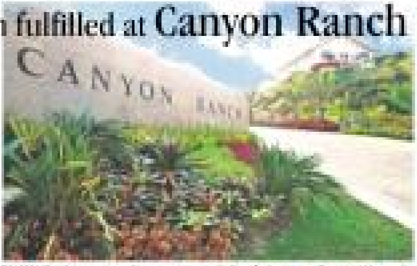
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THE POND is a big hit among the kids who enjoy feeding the fishes.



Mayfield's pond

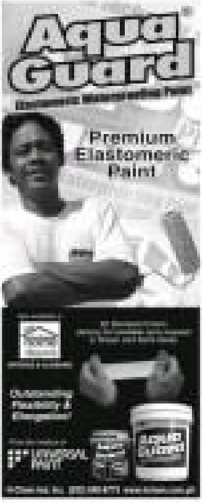
Refuge in the city



Sentricon participates in construction convention

Rotating roster

Promoting Sentricon





ConstructScope

Joint ventures for realty projects





Advanced tools . . .



THE BRIDGE that Calvin's team drew up will link the complex to the rest of the city.

Advanced tools to match imaginations of architects, designers

By Charles E. Buban

WHEN THE MANAGEMENT of the Cultural Center of the Philippines recently held a public competition to come up with a design that will transform this government property into a symbol of Philippine heritage and arts as well as a thriving commercial hub, Leo Calma Design Associates and its partner BF Bautista and Associates came up with a very interesting concept.

"The competition was a welcome challenge for us considering CCP's historical and cultural significance. It also gave us a chance to communicate our ideas on how to transform this 77-hectare complex into something that we could feel proud of," says LCDA architect and interior designer Leonardo Calma.

But before drawing up the entry, Calma's team identified two things that must be addressed in their upcoming design: the need to link the complex to the rest of the city and pedestrians coming from the eastern side of Roxas Boulevard. And the absence of a dominant structure that would unify all the other structures within the complex.

Gateway to the complex

"For the first challenge, we needed a bridge that can serve as a gateway to the complex. This bridge will lead to a sculptured garden of varying ground levels and to the proposed visitor's information center," Calma says.

From here Calma's team proposed several elevated pedestrian bridges and multi-level ramps leading to other landmarks like the Folk Arts Center, Performing Arts Center and a 60-meter lighthouse at the western tip of the promenade.

"The result will be an interconnected, highly walkable complex ground that opens up a lot of spaces for holding exhibits and other cultural presentations," Calma explains.

Essential

In preparing the design entry, Calma says Autodesk software, from

ADVANCED B3-4



COMPLEX structures that filled the proposed design



Super! goes gaga over the World Cup, and crazy at the 59th Cannes Film Festival

Ruffa, Richard & Raymond in Istanbul, Turkey

Underwear Fever

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June 28, Wednesday

June 29, Thursday

June 30, Friday

June 24, Saturday

June 25, Sunday



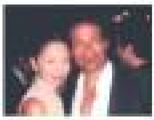
A beauty queen's Cannes checklist

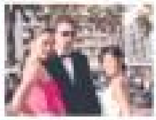














Wine, Women, and Ci

A Celebration of Masterpieces at the 59th Festival de Ca

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TEAM PHILIPPINES on the Cannes Film Festival red carpet.



THE BARON'S SON

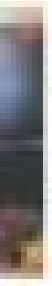


PINK PRETTY

Hundreds of films



There was the women (this petite writer included), the bottles upon bottles of fine French wine, and of course the plethora of films





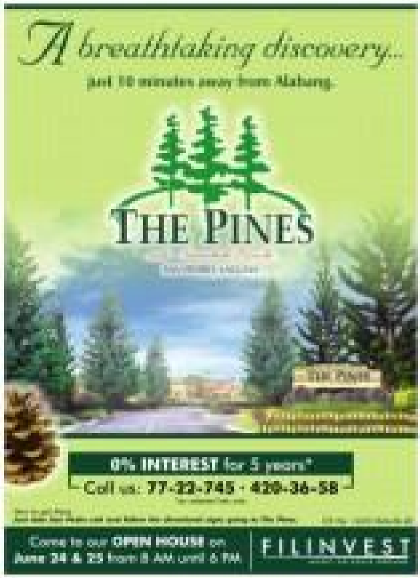




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KALA: Manila sound is back in the groove



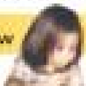




Beautiful

The sick leaves, the high fever, the frustrations and the hopes of the rare Pinoy football fan watching the World Cup

OUT THE WINDOW



Tala Diaz

THAT LINE FROM THE FILM "American Beauty" just comes to mind—"sometimes there's so much beauty in the world I feel like I can't take it, like my heart's going to cave in." And that is the closest thing that can describe what I feel every four years, when the world gets together to celebrate "the beautiful game." Ah ... the World Cup! Life is just too sweet, and everyday until July 9 will be a beautiful day.

[illegible] this beautiful game has [illegible] on my system though that everyday I pretty much resemble a character in the "Night of the Living Dead." It requires superhuman effort to live a normal life when you watch the live games everyday at the witching hour, [illegible] with a lot of San Mig Light of course, catch a couple of hours of shuteye before waking up and heading to a full day's work, [illegible]

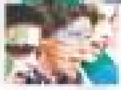
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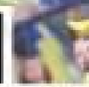
Maxim-um exposure for Joey Mead



Joey is Starhub's World Cup co-host







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Football in Italia



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FAMILY VACCINES

Los Angeles



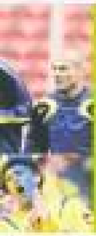
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CATCH THE FEVER!

Check out the action, and get high on football

Pinoys and the game

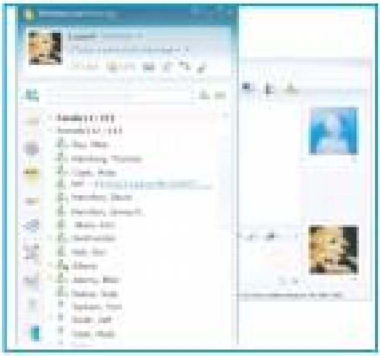


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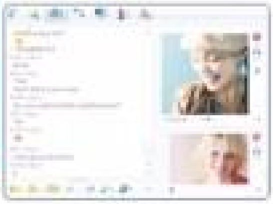


MANILA'S VERY OWN, DJ Marc Miranda









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Ruffa hops from Asia to Europe—everyday!



A BEAUTY queen/ actress/ young mom, supported by a rich, loving husband gets visited by her family composed of five grown up brothers, her dad and her bling-obsessed mom. Our movie trailer voice over.

The resulting plot is one week of over-the-top reality that takes Gutierrez's most watched family and transports them to exotic Istanbul, complete with bodyguards, posh night clubs and tons and tons of gold. And on some special nights, a shower of cold cash (dollars—not lira, not pesos!) to swim in, indeed!

After years of constant invitations from Ruffa Gutierrez-Bektas to visit her in different parts of the world, I finally made my way to Turkey, the land of ideas and delights.

Upon arrival at the Istanbul airport, I was met by a fleet of men in dark suits. "Are you still blonde?" Ruffa, in her typical enchanting sing-song voice, called me on the phone. Her Turkish TV bodyguards were looking for me. At that time, only one of them could speak English, and I didn't know any Turkish.

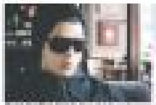
Gutierrez brood

Ruffa's brothers, Elvis, Rocky, Richard, Raymond and lil' Elvi Ritchie were excited because it was their first time to visit Turkey. I instantly became the sixth Gutierrez brother, since they became my Istanbul companions day in and day out.

I told the bodyguards that Richard, Raymond and I were triplets (one Sheryl, Tiro and Mozilla ha) and that it just so happened that the two of them were identical, and I, the factory defect. They only discovered the truth when they asked me where my mother was, referring to Annabelle Rama. I

SUPER E3





SHADES OF COOL Richard Gutierrez in Tom Ford [illegible]



COME FLY WITH ME, says Ruffa



LOVE BOAT Eddie Gutierrez and Annabelle Rama in [illegible]



R AND R Ruffa and Richard in the Bosphorus



CAPTAIN [illegible] takes a break



IT'S GETTIN' cold in here

Ruffa hops from Asia to Europe—everyday!

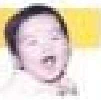




SNAPSHOT of a princess



VIEW FROM THE TOP Chard, as photographed by Mond



Tim Yap

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should go get my Advil.

My first day in Istanbul was spent at the Bebek house, a mansion in the suburbs where Ruffa maintains her quarters in the presence of her family, [illegible] and guy. It was also the bridal shower for Rona, Ruffa's sis-in-law who was going to tie the knot that weekend. Ruffa, the consummate hostess kept on calling the [illegible] to rush to her place (we stayed at a boutique hotel in Bebek, near the posh party spots in Istanbul) to catch the performance of the belly dancer she had hired for the party.

One scene after another, I witnessed, in near pageant form, how Ruffa was able to transform and live up to every role she had to take—wife, mother, sister, daughter, hostess, guest relations officer, friend, etc. Many times she was busier than the party hosts themselves, and in family occasions, Yilmaz's kin seem to have grown so attached to her that they all easily go to her—kids and adults alike are drawn to her like girls are to diamonds.

Bling it on!

Speaking of this girl who is fond of diamonds, we went (hyper) shopping at The Grand Bazaar, where I experienced first hand the haggling skills of Mommy Annabelle. I watched with amusement as her kids point out a particular object they fancied and [illegible] Annabelle would argue and fight with the vendors until she got the item at the price she wanted. And then they became friends. Who can resist Annabelle?

"She just likes to haggle for the sake of haggling," Eddie Gutierrez explained as we observed Annabelle from the next stall. "She's a double dragon." [illegible] he lovingly described his [illegible]. I'd say even a triple dragon, as even I felt [illegible] under Annabelle's wings.

Even in Istanbul, she brought [illegible] of pork n' beans, corned beef and other breakfast [illegible] to make sure her boys have their favorite foods from good 'ol mom. "My boys are all so big now," she would [illegible] tenderness.

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[illegible] TRIPLETS [illegible]



SHOWER PARTY [illegible]



THE FASHION TV [illegible]

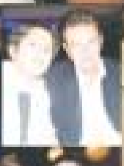


ALL IN the family at the wedding of Rona to Baris

[illegible] with [illegible]



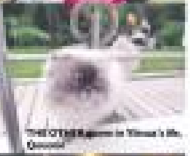
EDDIE AND ANNABELLE'S [illegible] of pride





RUFFA [illegible]





THE OTHER queen in Yilmaz's life, Queenie



AT RONA'S BRIDAL SHOWER HOSTED BY RUFFA. Held at Yilmaz and Ruffa's residence in Istanbul

LIKE SISTERS Ruffa and Rona [illegible]



RUFFA'S little angels, Lorin and Venice



SPELL SEXY [illegible] Richard, [illegible] Raymond





SUPER! GOES TO ISTANBUL

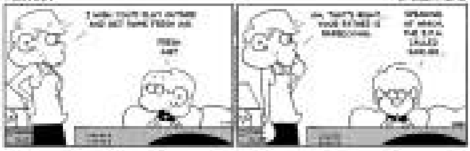


Ruffa hops from Asia . . .

So real



FOXTROT
BY BILL AMEND



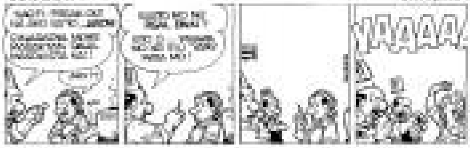
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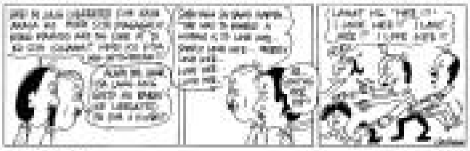
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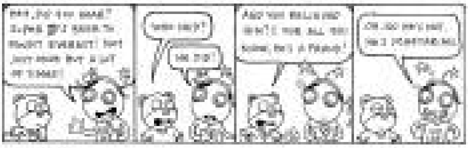
MUTTS
BY PATRICK McDONNELL



LOVEKNOTS



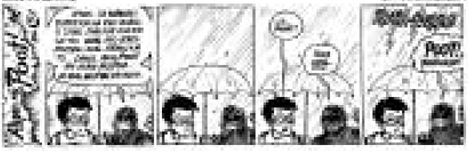
ATOMO AND WEBOY



DIVINE COMEDY



BIKO MACHINE
BY MANIX ABRERA



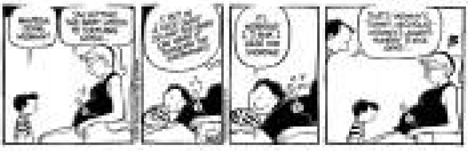
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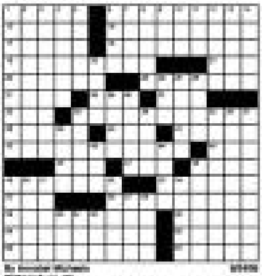
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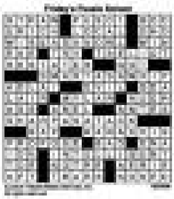
BEN
BY DANIEL SHELTON



DAILY CROSSWORD



Friday's Puzzle Solved



HOROSCOPE

CONCEPTIS SU DOKU

Conceptis Sudoku by Dave Green

		6			3			9
	2			5			8	
		1			8			6
		4			5			1
	8			9			4	
		5			2			8
		2			6			3
	5			3			9	
		8			9			2

Difficulty Level ★★★★

HOW TO PLAY SU DOKU

Fill in the grid so that every column, every row and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 to 9.

Tips and program at www.sudoku.com

Answer to previous puzzle

2	1	9	8	7	5	4	6	3
8	6	5	1	3	4	7	2	9
7	3	4	2	9	6	1	8	5
4	6	3	9	5	8	2	7	1
5	7	8	3	1	2	9	4	6
1	9	2	4	6	7	5	3	8
[illegible]	5	7	[illegible]	4	1	3	9	2
3	2	1	7	8	9	6	5	4
9	4	6	5	2	3	8	1	7

Difficulty Level ★★★★

PARTY FOR A CAUSE



When playing becomes serious fun

By Katrina A. Holigores

I DON'T BELIEVE THAT any straight girl (who doesn't have double D chest proportions) would be excited to attend an event that has "Playboy Mansion" as a theme. But, I kept trying to convince myself this was for work.

[illegible]

Efficient energy

[illegible]

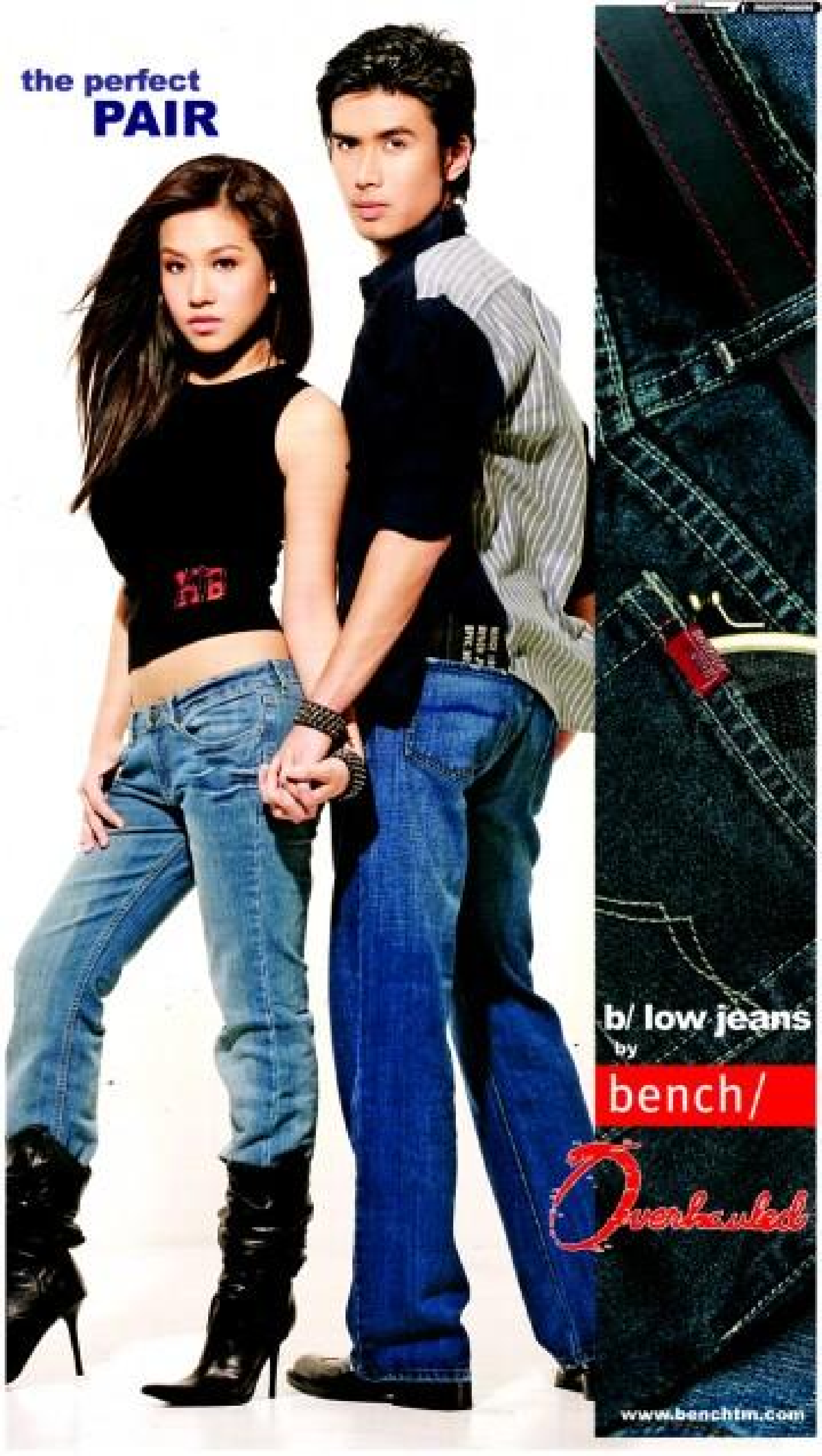
Beautiful models

[illegible]

Highly amazing

[illegible]




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Funky sneakers and designer tea parties in the land of retail therapy

This is a Hong Kong shopping adventure without a lot of shopping

Text and photos by Pam Pastor

HONG KONG IS THE time for the jaded shopper's soul. Just when you think you know its ins and outs, the land of retail therapy reaches into its vault and hauls surprises along your way.

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Funky sneakers and designer tea parties in the land of retail therapy

On your marks, get set, swipe

The Big Brands

Queues

Break for lunch

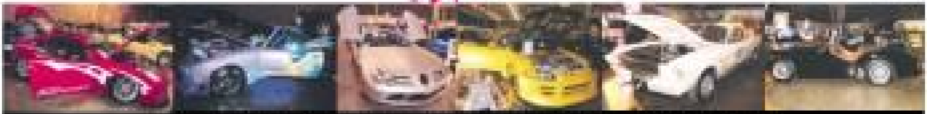
Late-night shopping

Mickey everywhere

A Bathing Ape, finally

A mad sprint

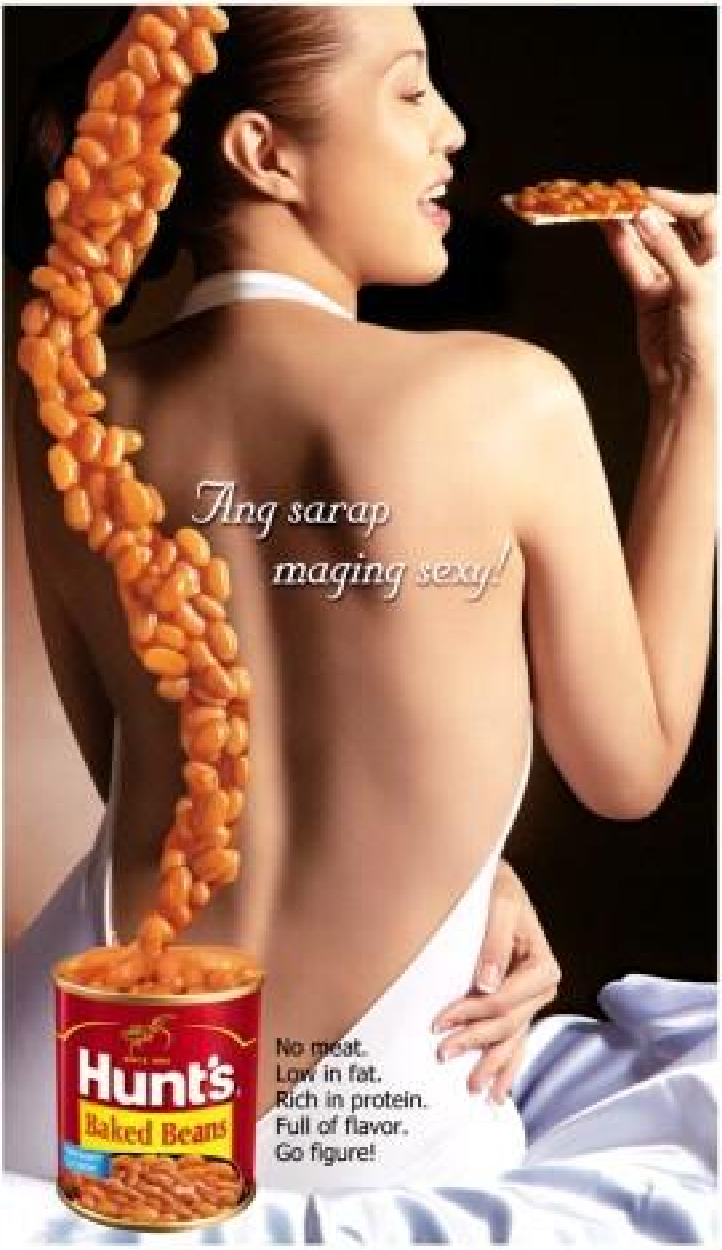




Fast, furious and stylin'

Fashion

Andy on the Runway





Fashion sensibilities set in Motion





